

MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA COMMON COUNCIL

MARCH 20, 2018

6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: The Common Council of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: The Pledge to the Flag was recited by those present.

PRAYER: Councilman Berkemeier led those present in prayer.

ROLL CALL: Bob Bridges, Brian Conner, Craig Smith, Brad Berkemeier, Gary Cameron, and Barbara Hershberger, Student Advisor, answered roll call. Also present was City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse.

MINUTES: Cameron moved to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2018 meeting as presented. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Pavey reported the following:

1. Met on the 7th for the quarterly Stellar meeting.
2. The Top Ten Banquet was on the 7th.
3. On the 9th we did a walk through on the buildings being remodeled.
4. Had a meeting on the 9th with Jason Semlar to discuss the revision of the overlook project.
5. Attended the Redevelopment meeting on the 12th. They agreed to partner with the City to hire a retail consultant. Others agreeing to contribute \$5,000.00 each are the Chamber of Commerce, ECDC, County and the school corporation.
6. On the 14th attended Brianna's Hope.
7. On the 15th met with Denny Corn regarding the owner occupied bidding process.
8. On the 15th attended the ACEC civil engineering banquet where the wastewater treatment plant received an award of merit.
9. 15th we had a Rush to Grow meeting.
10. On the 17th the Guns vs. Hoses basketball game was held, with the hoses being victorious.
11. On the 13th we met with OCRA to discuss the changes for the scope of the overlook project.
12. Last night there was a building committee meeting.
13. There was a pre bid on the Streetscape project today.
14. We have a meeting tomorrow on phase 2 of the City Center.
15. Tomorrow night there is an art council meeting.

16. 26-30 is spring break.
17. April 3rd we will be at IUPUI to take part in their informatics program.
18. April 11 is the retail stake holder meeting.
19. May 12 is the Mayor's 5K.
20. Deb Lilly asked me to inform you that we are planning to apply for \$200,000.00 in federal funds through DNR for recreation trails funding.
21. The lights have been ordered for Blue Ribbon Court.
22. A packet was sent to Council regarding the agreement with the Council of Clubs.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT: Nothing.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT REPORT: Nothing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Stellar Designation** – Nothing
- **Amphitheater/Park Board** – Nothing
- **Marketing** – Meeting with the retail consultant.
- **APC/BZA** – Nothing.
- **City Center** – Sheehan will discuss.
- **Cherry Street Extension** – Right of way process.
- **Brownfield Grant** – Nothing.
- **ECDC** – We are still in the running for Project Columbus and Project Scorpion.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Street – Commissioner Miller reported that recycle for this month is \$49.25. We have the salt beds on the trucks in anticipation of the snow forecast.

Police – Chief Tucker said golf cart registration started March 15 and will continue through April 30th. Appointments need to be made.

Park – Park Director Burklow said they are hauling dirt at the Carol Jenkins Davis Park. They are stripping top soil and moving it to the center. The dog park is in full swing and should be ready in 2 weeks.

Pool employees have been hired.

We are working to organize the park shop.

Mayor Pavey said he presented a proclamation to Paul Davis. At this time he also gave a medallion to Davis and Elizabeth Scott in honor of Carol Jenkins Davis. Pavey said Davis and Scott were very appreciative for everything our community has done to honor the life of their daughter.

CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **CGS Contract** – The contract has been completed and signed by the Mayor. Lisa Carpenter thanked Council for the City's cooperation.
2. **Annexation:**
 - a. **Ordinance 2018-5** – Mayor Pavey said we still need to contact the landowners wishing to be annexed.
 - b. **Resolution 2018-4 Adopting a Fiscal Plan** –

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Campaign Flats CF1** – Eric Frye updated Council on Campaign Flats. He said the 7 units are fully occupied and there is also a waiting list. Cameron moved to approve the CF1 for Campaign Flats. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Police Department Lighting Project** – Chief Tucker presented a proposal from Kirby Risk for the department lighting. The cost of the total project is \$10,500.00. Kirby Risk estimated if the entire project is done we should realize a 50% savings. Tucker said he would like to do phase 1 at a cost of \$1,969.53 to start with due to budget restrictions. This would replace fixtures in common areas. There is also a grant with Duke for materials that Kirby Risk will apply for. Cameron made a motion to approve the proposal presented by Kirby Risk with Kirby Risk making application for the grant. The grant proceeds will be deposited in the police department budget. Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Police Department Firing Range Upgrade** – Chief Tucker explained the upgrade that they would like to do in their firing range. He said this would make a safer and healthier atmosphere. He presented a quote from Patriot Products for \$32,560.00. He would use funds from the public safety funds to accomplish this remodel. He said the current ventilation system is adequate. He said other agencies will be able to use this facility when the work is completed. We would also be able to host safe shooter classes. Cameron made a motion to approve the quote from Patriot Products for the upgrade to the firing range. Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. **Project Manager Update Report:** City Project Manager Sheehan gave the following report:
 - Social media updates continue.

- We will be having town hall meetings in the next few months.
- We are beginning to promote the 2018 Riverside Park Concert Series.
- We will be meeting with retail consultant, Ricky Hayes, on April 11th.
- Stellar Overlook Project – we are waiting on a letter of approval from the State for the change of course on the Overlook project.
- Several downtown commercial buildings are going through the revitalization process. Making major improvements in the downtown area.
- Owner Occupied Rehab – We had 22 applicants. We anticipate assisting 13 households. We are hoping to go out to bid in April.
- Gateway Plaza – We are having discussion with the State to move further into and around the park with this project.
- Main Streetscape project is beginning to move forward.
- Stellar funding – We have received an annual donation from the Rush County Community Foundation. We will receive the County's donation in June and December after tax draws. The farm land sale process has begun.
- City Center – The ADA portion is completed. We have moved onto bid packet 1, which is the exterior work and interior demolition. We will meet tomorrow on bid packet 2, the interior work remodel.
- Farmers Market – The car charging station is up and running. We are working with groups for programing (entertainment).
- Industrial Park – We have had 2 site visits.
- Highway 3 discussion is ongoing. We will meet in Indianapolis in April.
- Cherry Street – The Right of Way phase continues.
- Housing – We have a signed agreement with Joe Peacock. Our goal is to begin moving dirt yet this year.
- Campaign Quarters - Hope to be renting out by late fall. There have been challenges with the Durbin, but they continue to move forward.
- Laker/City Campus is moving forward.
- Animal Shelter – We are waiting on the Army Corp to approve drainage.
- Thanks to the Youth Engagement Team for assistance in promoting our survey.
- Intern Program – We are looking for one or two interns. We have had some good candidates interested.
- Willkie Parking Lot – We need to finalize plans and find funding.
- Training Center – The project is moving forward. The floor has been poured.
- BEP – We are working on the 1st of 4 properties.
- 217 North Main – The building is filling up with items for the new City Center. In the future we intend to procure a tenant. We are looking for tenants for several other downtown buildings.
- The art meetings are beginning.

Mayor Pavey suggested that Council consider a date for them to tour the buildings under construction

CLAIMS AND FEBRUARY 2018 BANK RECONCILEMENT: Cameron moved to approve the claims as submitted and the February 2018 bank reconciliation. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE: None.

ADJOURN: There was no further business to come before Council; Smith moved to adjourn. Berkemeier seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.